



Michigan Fisheries Visitor Center

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Fall and Winter Interpretive Programs, 2007-2008

Unless otherwise noted, all MDNR Programs are free, and begin at the visitor center on US31.
Call our visitor center on US31 in Oden, MI. for information or to register, when indicated.

October, 2007 Weekend Programs:

Saturday, October 6: Fishing from the Pond! This program is for Children ages 5-16 only. Program begins at 8:00 a.m. sharp at the Big Fish Pond (5 minutes up the nature trail from the parking lot on US31). Pre-Registration is REQUIRED to attend this one hour program. Space is limited, equipment provided. Hot Cider refreshments!

Saturday, October 20: Fishing from the Pond! This program is for Children ages 5-16 only. Program begins at 8:00 a.m. sharp at the Big Fish Pond (5 minutes up the nature trail from the parking lot on US31). Pre-Registration is REQUIRED to attend this one hour program. Space is limited, equipment provided. Hot Cider refreshments!

Saturday, October 27: Fall Color Tour. Tour begins at the Michigan Fisheries Visitor Center on US31 in Oden, Michigan. Join our staff at 2:00 p.m. for a historic tour of our facility and stroll the 1 mile loop nature trail as we identify common trees. All ages welcomed to attend. Program will take about one hour.

November, 2007 Weekend Programs:

Saturday, November 10: Project W.E.T. for Teachers (Water Education for Teachers). This nationwide educational workshop for teachers helps our state educators teach students about protecting our water resources using fun, hands on activities. Pre-Registration is required, cost of the program is \$25.00 for printing materials. Program begins at the Michigan Fisheries Visitor Center on US31 in Oden, at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. Lunch and materials are provided. Please join us!

Saturday, November 17: Watershed Mania! Come learn about sources of H₂O pollution, what a watershed is, fun games! This program is geared towards children 5-14, from 2:00 -3:00 p.m. at the visitor center on US31.

Saturday, November 24: Turkey Trot! Come join us at noon for a brisk walk on our one mile loop nature trail. Walk off that bird, take a gander at our wildlife on site. Participants are welcomed to join, or walk. Refreshments served at the Michigan Fisheries Visitor Center on US31 where the trot commences! All ages welcomed!

December, 2007 Weekend Programs:

Saturday, December 1: Oden's Open House! Noon until 3:00 p.m. Hatchery tours, train car museum, stream viewing chamber, and free fish food to feed the fish at the Big Fish Pond. Holiday sale at the center gift store, refreshments and more...join us to get that last minute holiday shopping completed!

Saturday, December 15: Fish Fossil Funk. What is a fossil? Program starts at the visitor center at 2:00 p.m. for families and children ages 5-14. All participants will take home their own homemade fish 'fossil'. Tour offered.

Saturday, December 29: Winter Ecology Hike. If snow is available, we'll wear our snowshoes (limited amount, please call ahead for equipment availability). Program starts at noon at the Michigan Fisheries Visitor Center.

January, 2008 Weekend Programs:

Saturday, Jan. 12: Snowshoe Hike! Join our crew for a fun walk on the nature trail! Starts at noon at the center.

Saturday, Jan. 19: Ice Fishing on Crooked Lake! Back by popular demand! All ages welcomed, no cost. Limited amount of equipment to share. Program begins at the Michigan Fisheries Visitor Center on US31 at 10:00 a.m. Warming tent with refreshments will be available on the ice! Fish on!

Saturday, Jan. 26: Tracking Wildlife in Winter. Begins at 2:00 p.m. at the center, outdoor hike, indoor warm-up.